Statement

Number of Polio cases reported from different States of the country as on 30th June, 2002

	POLIO CASES FOR 2002	(9.11.2002)
Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Year 2002
1.	Bihar	58
2.	Chhattisgarh	1
3.	Delhi	14
4.	Gujarat	18
5.	Haryana	10
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	1
7.	Jharkhand	10
8.	Madhya Pradesh	4
9.	Maharashtra	4
10.	Orissa	2
11.	Rajasthan	3
12.	Uttaranchal	11
13.	Uttar Pradesh	727
14.	West Bengal	33
	TOTAL	896

Sale of spurious drugs

46. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of spurious drugs has reached an alarming proportion throughout the country for some time past;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the offence and conviction therefor during the last three years, State- wise and year-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to address the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) As per the feedback available from the State Drugs Controllers during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, out of 38936, 35570 and 36947 samples tested, 94,115 and 112 samples respectively were found to be spurious. In view of this, the sale of spurious drugs has not reached an alarming proportion in the country.

(b) As per the feedback available from the State Drugs Controllers during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001, a statement indicating number of prosecution launched and no. of cases decided is annexed (*See* below).

(c) Since manufacture and sale of spurious drugs is mainly a clandestine activity, State Drug Control Organisations who are responsible to enforce the provisions of Drug and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules made thereunder have been advised to adopt following guidelines;

1. It has been recommended to set up/reactivate State Drugs Advisory Committee in which all stake holders are partners. 2. Establishment of separate intelligence-cum-legal machinery with police assistance. 3. Speedy analysis of drug samples. 4. To undertake surveillance of suspected dealers. 5. To obtain cooperation of pharmaceutical industries 6. To collect survey samples under National Survey Quality Evaluation of Drugs (NSQED) Programme.

2. Central Government have taken steps to augment the drugs testing facilities of State laboratories. This includes strengthening the infrastructural facilities and improving the information system through computer networking which project is under implementation.

3. Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has specifically taken up the issue of combating the menace of manufacturers and sale of spurious, adulterated and counterfeit drugs in the meeting of Central Council of Health and Family Welfare on 12-13 July, 2001. It was resolved that special attention is required to be given to monitor illegal activities by a special intelligence cell in the respective Drugs Control Organisation and in seeking cooperation of pharma industry, the trade, as well as the police.

4. Union Ministry of Health and F.W. constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of DGHS to examine the extent of problem and suggest remedial measures. Committee report has been submitted alongwith its recommendation in July, 2002. A copy of the report of committee constituted by the Government of India to examine the issues concerning availability of spurious drugs in the market and measures recommended there of have been sent to all the State Drugs Controllers for their implementation.

5. The Hon'ble Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare has written on October 8th, 2002 to all the Chief Ministers seeking their personal intervention to ensure that adequate measures are taken in each States to vigorously pursue the strategies needed to preclude any possibility of menace of spurious products.

6. A meeting of the Health Ministers and Senior Officials of 13 major States of the country was convened by Hon'ble Union Minister of Health on 12th Nov., 2002 to ensure concerted action to check any possible movement of spurious drugs in the country and to involve all stake holders to fight this menace.

Statement

(i) Number of Prosecution launched and number of cases decided from 1998 to 31.3.2001 under Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940

Number of prosecutions launched, number of cases decided etc., during 1998-99 under Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Number of Prosecutions Launched	Number of Cases Decided
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	70	19
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil	Nil
3.	Assam	1	1
4.	Bihar	7	Nil
5.	Goa	3	Nil
6.	Gujarat	23	12
7.	Haryana	21	8

1	2	3	4
8.	Himachal Pradesh	6	3
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	NA	12
10.	Karnataka	39	2
11.	Kerala	22	15
12.	Madhya Pradesh	9	15
13.	Maharashtra	NA	Nil
14.	Manipur	Nil	Nil
15.	Meghalaya	Nil	Nil
16.	Mizoram	Nil	Nil
17.	Nagaland	Nil	Nil
18.	Orissa	14	3
19.	Punjab	9	13
20.	Rajasthan	16	2
21.	Sikkim	Nil	Nil
22.	Tamil Nadu	116	38
23.	Tripura	Nil	Nil
24.	Uttar Pradesh	NA	Nil
25.	West Bengal	NA	Nil
26.	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil
27.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Nil	Nil
28.	Chandigarh	Nil	Nil
29.	Delhi	8	Nil
30.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	Nil	Nil
31.	Daman & Diu	Nil	Nil
32.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil
	TOTAL:	364	143

N.A. Information not available

(ii) Number of Prosecutions Launched

No. of cases decided, etc. during the period 1999-2000 under Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Number of Prosecutions Launched	Number of Cases Decided
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	NA	NA
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	1
3.	Assam	2	1
4.	Bihar	5	Nil
5.	Goa	5	1
6.	Gujarat	18	13
7.	Haryana	21	8
8.	Himachal Pradesh	6	3
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	82	4
10.	Karnataka	NA	NA
11.	Kerala	22	15
12.	Madhya Pradesh	22	11
13.	Maharashtra	104	9
14.	Manipur	Nil	Nil
15.	Meghalaya	Nil	Nil
16.	Mizoram	31	26
17.	Nagaland	11	NA
18.	Orissa	18	Nil
19.	Punjab	9	13
20.	Rajasthan	22	16
21.	Sikkim	Nil	Nil
22.	Tamil Nadu	107	29

1	2	3	4
23.	Tripura	Nil	Nil
24.	Uttar Pradesh	48	Nil
25.	West Bengal	8	2
26.	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil
27.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Nil	Nil
28.	Chandigarh	Nil	Nil
29.	Delhi	21	11
30.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	Nil	Nil
31.	Daman & Diu	Nil	Nil
32.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil
	TOTAL:	563	163

N.A. Information not available.

(iii) Number of prosecutions launched, number of cases decided etc. during the Period 1.4.2000 to 31.3.2001

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Number of Prosecutions Launched	Number of Cases Decided
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	84	27
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil	Nil
3.	Assam	6	Nil
4.	Bihar	NA	NA
5.	Goa	2	Nil
6.	Gujarat	31	11
7.	Haryana	NA	NA
8.	Himachal Pradesh	12	7
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	68	3

1	2	3	4
10.	Karnataka	22	12
11.	Kerala	50	13
12.	Madhya Pradesh	9	7
13.	Maharashtra	157	63
14.	Manipur	Nil	Nil
15.	Meghalaya	Nil	Nil
16.	Mizoram	Nil	Nil
17.	Nagaland	Nil	Nil
18.	Orissa	10	3
19.	Punjab	22	18
20.	Rajasthan	45	19
21.	Sikkim	Nil	Nil
22.	Tamil Nadu	106	52
23.	Tripura	2	Nil
24.	Uttar Pradesh	6	Nil
25.	West Bengal	8	1
26.	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil
27.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Nil	Nil
28.	Chandigarh	Nil	Nil
29.	Delhi	11	9
30.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	Nil	Nil
31.	Daman & Diu	Nil	Nil
32.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil
33.	Uttaranchal	Nil	Nil
	TOTAL:	651	245

N.A. Information not available.